

the first time in his life his true manly nobleness fully appreciated by a lovely woman. Donald began to think less of the bounding main and more of the joys that true love brings.

For Donald had met his fate, and the blue bird's fair owner superceded the old longing for the blue, blue sea!

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### A FIRST RATE BOOK

By Berton Braley.

I've been reading of slaughter and battle.

Of glory and gumpion and gore,  
Of raids upon foemen and cattle  
And hair-raising stunts by the score.

Of heroes of mightiest bravery.  
Of villains with records unsavory,  
Of righteousness, evil and knavery.  
And plenty of olden time lore.

I've been reading some lovely romances

And tales of adventure as well,  
Of men who took uttermost chances  
And braved any fate that befell.  
I've reveled, with eyes that were glistery.

In fairy tales, magic and mystery,  
Theology, logic and history.  
And poems that none can excel.

And I read all of this in one volume,  
One volume I'd never looked through

Till I plunged in its close-printed column—

And its treasures lay bare to my view.

So I learned, after decades unheed-ing.

What wise men have long been conceding.

That the Bible is chuck full of read-ing.

And mighty good stuff it is, too!

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When that old Board of Ordnance of our war department pronounces the automobile more "economical and certain" than the mule it simply shows its ignorance of mules.

### MOVIE MAN'S DOCTRINE IS HARD WORK



When Edwin August isn't "on the job" he looks as if life were a long, easy, lazy song. But—when he IS at work he goes like a steam engine and gives every bit of energy and vitality and thought to the undertaking.

August is putting on some big feature pictures at the Hollywood studios of the Universal Film Company in Southern California.

"The twin factors in success, whether it be the 'movie' business or any other," says August, "are hard work and opportunity.

"I'm not saying anything new I know. But here's another point. If you work hard you will probably land the opportunity. Anyway, my policy is: find the right doctrine and everlastingly keep practicing it. MY doctrine is work."

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Czar of Russia has a special newspaper of his own printed each morning, of two copies, one for himself and one for his secretary. Heaven help the editor, if criticism of the czar gets into the sheet.